

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Manfred Geier	)	
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Application No.: 10/576,091	)	Confirmation No.: 5596
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Group Art Unit: 3723	)	
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Examiner: Robert C. Watson	)	
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Filed: April 11, 2006	)	
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Title: CLAMPING AND/OR	)	
SPREADING TOOL	)	
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***ELECTION OF SPECIES UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121 and  
 AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116***

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated as mailed December 3, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**There are no Amendments to the Specification.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Election of Invention and Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.